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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Jens Kossmann et al.
Application No. : 09/850,991 Confirmation No. : 3510
Filed : May 8, 2001
For : NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES CODING FOR
DEBRANCHING ENZYMES FROM MAIZE
Group Art Unit : 1638
Examiner : David T. Fox

New York, New York
July 2, 2003

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to file a Response to the Examiner's July 14, 2003 Office Action.

A check in the amount of \$930.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

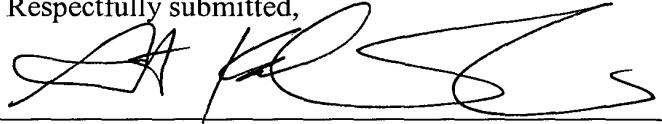
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The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JF Haley, Jr.', written over a horizontal line.

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